

Chad Warren Johnson  
Beaver County, Utah, Commissioner

Chad Warren Johnson was born December 3, 1946 in Milford, Utah to Warren and Enid Johnson.

He graduated from Milford High School in 1965 and attended Utah State University, majoring in Business Management. He enlisted in the United States Army on March 29, 1966 and served until November 25, 1968. He served as an Intelligence Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) in Special Forces on a C-Team in DaNang, and later served on a Special Forces A-Team at Thong Due (A 109). Chad was wounded September 28, 1968 and was awarded a Bronze Star for Heroism, a Bronze Star for Meritorious Service, the National Defense Service Medal, Parachutist Badge, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal w/60 Device, Combat Infantryman's Badge with 4 o/s Bars, Marksman's Badge with rifle Bar, Vietnamese Jump Wings, and a Purple Heart.

On December 28, 1968 he married Joyce Adele Grimshaw. Continuing his education he returned to the University of Utah. After college Chad and Joyce moved to Beaver. Chad managed the family business, Sam's Furniture and Appliance in Beaver, for 36 years. Chad and Joyce have three children, Denise, Marcy, and Bryant.

Chad became active in the community by joining the Beaver Jaycees. He served as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Regional Director over the years. He also served as State Vice President of the Utah Jaycees. He was selected to be one of the Outstanding Men of America in 1975, Outstanding State Vice President First Quarter, Utah Jaycees 1976, Key Man First Quarter, Utah Jaycees 1975, and Key Man, Country Club Jaycees 1975.

Chad ran for Beaver County Commissioner and was elected in 1976. He served in that capacity for 24 years, until 2000. After a four year hiatus he was re-elected in 2004. During his years of service he has been appointed to many state and national boards and committees. He served on the Board of Directors for the National Association of Counties (NACo) and also the National Workforce Services Committee. He is currently on the NACo Legislative Committee and the Utah Justice For All Committee. Chad served as a member of the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) Insurance Mutual and is a member of the UAC Legislative Committee. He served as Second Vice-Chair of the Governor's Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations, and also on the State Joint Highway Committee. Chad served on the Community Impact Board (Cm) and as a member of the Five County Association of Governments Board of Directors, a Board he chaired for two years. He served on the State Trails Committee and provided input on The American Discovery Trail. Chad served as Chairman of the Southwest Private Industry Council for 15 years and was nominated for Utah's Outstanding County Official twice.

Projects to which Chad has provided outstanding leadership and capabilities include: the Alunite project; M'X Missile Proposal; Smithfield Foods locating in Beaver County; US Forest Service and BLM Wilderness Study Reviews; Wetland Legislation; Culinary Water Projects in Milford City; Swimming Pools in Milford, Minersville and Beaver; Medical Clinics in Milford and Minersville; County Wide 911 Service; roads in Beaver County; Beaver County Public Safety Facility; and as an advocate for the Council on Aging.

Throughout his service as Beaver County Commissioner he continues to log countless hours and miles to provide the most positive results for Beaver County. He currently serves on the Beaver

County Travel Council and Beaver County Economic Development Board. He has served as the American Legion Commander and is a past President of the Lion's Club. He is also very involved in the Utah Sons of Pioneers and the Beaver Chamber of Commerce.